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**DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN APPLICATION USING AN APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 CFR 1.76)**

Title of Invention

**A METHOD OF SECURING RAILINGS STRUCTURES FOR APPEARANCE AND STRENGTH**

As the below named inventor(s), I/we declare that:

This declaration is directed to:

- The attached application, or
- Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_,
- as amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable);

I/we believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

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 Additional inventors or a legal representative are being named on additional form(s) attached hereto.

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In the United States Patent and Trademark Office

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Joint/Second Applicant:

**Title: "A METHOD OF SECURING RAILING STRUCTURES FOR APPEARANCE  
AND STRENGTH"**

**Small Entity Declaration - Independent Inventor**

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35 United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to my above-identified invention described in the specification filed herewith. I have not assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed - and am under no obligation under any contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license - any rights in the invention to either (a) any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or (b) any concern which would not qualify as either (i) a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or (ii) a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

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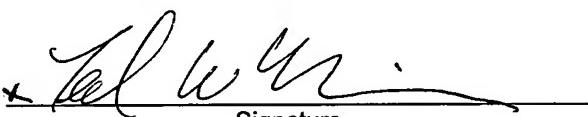
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Ted Mick

Ted Mick  
Date of Signature: 9/16/03

<b>ASSIGNMENT OF APPLICATION</b>	Docket Number (Optional)
<p>Whereas, I/We, <u>TED MICK</u> of <u>LWO CORPORATION</u>, hereafter referred to as applicant, have invented certain new and useful improvements in <u>A METHOD OF SECURING RAILING STRUCTURE FOR APPEARANCE AND STRENGTH</u></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for which an application for a United States Patent was filed on _____</p> <p>Application Number _____.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> for which an application for a United States Patent was executed on _____, and</p> <p>Whereas, _____ of _____ here referred to "assignee" whose mailing address is <u>3841 N. COLUMBIA BLU PORTLAND OR 97217</u> is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in the same;</p> <p>Now, therefore, in consideration of the sum of <u>ONE</u> dollars (\$ <u>1.00</u>), the receipt whereof is acknowledged, and other good and valuable consideration, I/We, the applicant(s), by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said assignee the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States and the entire rights, title and interest in and to any and all Patents which may be granted therefore in the United States. I/We hereby authorize and request the Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to issue said United States Patent to said assignee, of the entire right, title, and interest in and to the same, for his sole use and behoof; and for the use and behoof of his legal representatives, to the full end of the term for which said Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by me had this assignment and sale not been made.</p> <p>Executed this <u>16TH</u> day of <u>SEPTEMBER</u>, <u>2003</u>.</p> <p>at <u>LWO CORP. 3841 N. COLUMBIA BLU. PORTLAND OR 97217</u>.</p> <p> Signature</p> <p>State of <u>OREGON</u>) SS: <u>TED MICK</u> County of <u>MULT.</u>) Printed Name/Registration No., if applicable</p> <p>Before me personally appeared said _____ and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed this _____ day of _____, 20 _____.  Seal  Note: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required. See below*.</p>	

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